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SUBJ: MOTOR VEHICLES: POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL OF GENERAL MOTORS
FROM IRAN

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1. VANGE OF GM TOLD COMATT ON MARCH 14 THAT MINUTES OF MEETING
ELECTING NEW 7-MEMBER IRANIAN BOARD ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION
AND WOULD BE GAZETTED WITHOUT DELAY. HE BELIEVED REGISTRATION
OFFICIALS OPPOSED ACCEPTANCE ON BASIS THAT STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING
WAS INVALID BUT WERE OVERRULED FROM ABOVE.

2. VANGE SUBSEQUENTLY INFORMED EMBASSY THAT IRANIAN INTERESTS
CALLED TO TELL HIM THAT NEW BOARD WOULD HOLD MEETING MARCH 15
TO ELECT NEW MANAGING DIRECTOR AND TREASURER AND WISHED TO RE-
APPOINT VANGE AS MANAGING DIRECTOR. VANGE TELEPHONED GM OFFIC-
IALS IN U.S. AND REPORTED THAT THE REACTION WAS ALMOST VIOLENT.
VANGE TOLD NOT TO ACCEPT OFFER BUT LEAVE IRANIANS TO THEMSELVES.
GM CONSIDERS IRANIAN MOVES ILLEGAL. THEY WILL UNDERTAKE EVERY
EFFECTIVE AND LEGAL ACTION POSSIBLE AND IF UNSUCCESSFUL WILL
DEMAND REMOVAL OF COMPANY NAME FROM PLANT AND PRODUCTS.

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3. IT IS REQUESTED THAT MR. BARTON BROWN, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESI-
DENT, OVERSEAS (313-556480) BE CONTACTED TO ASCERTAIN GM'S
THINKING REGARDING POSSIBLE COURSE OF ACTION.
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